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Deloy Shumway
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Re: Site Inspection Needed Prior to Operations, Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, Travertine #8-#9, S/019/053, County, Utah

Dear Mr. Shumway:

Thank you for your additional information amending your Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, received by the Division on December 8, 2000. Payment of the permit fee along with the description of the existing site conditions and attached map showing the access road have satisfied a majority of the Division's concerns in the November 27, 2000, letter.

Your additional information does not request any variances from the Operations and Reclamation Practices; however, you state the project area is mainly rock outcrops with little vegetation and soils. To resolve the issue of variances before you begin operations, please arrange for an onsite meeting with the BLM and the Division to discuss maintenance of the existing road, and document the existing site conditions such as limited vegetation and salvageable soils.

Please note that you will need approval from both the Division and the BLM prior to beginning this project on BLM managed land. We have sent the BLM Moab Field Office a copy of your December 8, 2000, submission with a copy of this letter.

For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices," and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (SMO-1-2). Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices." Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

Please contact me at (801) 538-5267 to coordinate a site inspection before beginning your operations. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Anthony A. Gallegos
Senior Reclamation Specialist

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Enclosure: SMO1-2

cc: Sal Venticinque, Moab BLM FO w/copy of 12/8/00 submission

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30° 52' 30"

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GREEN RIVER SE 7.5 MW. QUAD

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'Green River SE'; Scale: 1" = 0.361Mi 581Mt 1,905Ft, 1 Mi = 2.771", 1 cm = 229Mt